GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2249
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OUTSTANDING DUES OF PRIVATE CELLULAR TELEPHONE OPERATORS
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the private cellular telephone operators and the amount due against each of them at present;

(b) the period for which the dues have been outstanding against them, State-wise;

(c) the steps taken by the Government to recover the same;

(d) whether dues against any such operators have been waived; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefore?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI. TAPAN SIKDAR)

(a) & (b) Details of dues from the three cellular operators are as follows:

(Rs. in Crores)

SERVICE	AREA	AMOUNT DUE (excluding interest)	DATE FROM WHICH DUE
M/s KOSHIKA	ORISSA	50.15	12.12.1997
-DO-	U.P.(W)	41.85	12.03.1998
-DO-	U.P.(E)	168.01	12.12.1997
-DO-	BIHAR	34.77	23.08.1998
M/S BHARTI MOBILE	PUNJAB	259.60 1	2.03.1997
M/s AIRCEL	UP(E)	Revenue Share under	
DIGILINK +		the migration package	01.02.2000

c) Except for UP(E) Service Area, all other licences stand terminated.The Licensees inall cases have been addressed to clear the dues.

d) No, Sir.

e) Does not arise in view of (d) above.

+ Penalties towards delayed compliance of milestones under migration package for the UP(E),Rajasthan & Haryana licensees are also due.